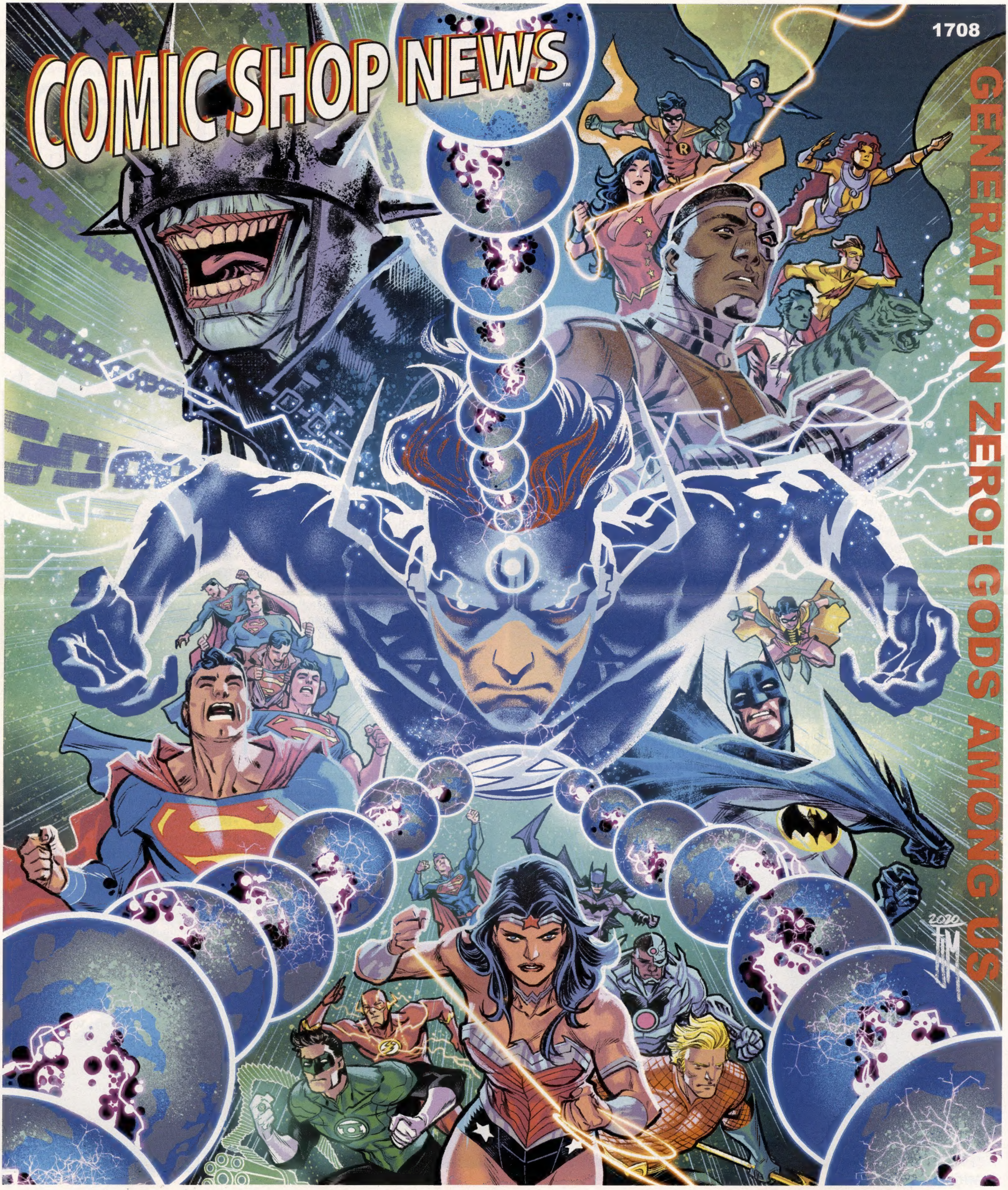
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Talkin' 'Bout My Generations

Doctor Who has dibs on regeneration. At DC, however, they've got ***Generation.***

No, we're not talking about *John Byrne's* brilliant multiversal tales of a world in which Superman and Batman aged in real time (although those series really *should* be collected in a new edition!). What we're talking about is what may be the most bold, far-reaching, and innovative change to the DC status quo in the publisher's history.

It all begins on May 2nd with ***Generation Zero: Gods Among Us,*** a Free Comic Book Day 2020 book that sets things into motion. DC sums it up in one sentence: "It all starts here, and everything counts."

The book begins with "Flash Forward: Epilogue," an extension of the unbelievable conclusion to the ***Flash Forward*** six-issue miniseries from the pages of ***Flash #750,*** expanded with more than a dozen pages of all-new content from the series creative team of *Scott Lobdell & Brett Booth.*

As DC describes the story, "In order to save his children and the multiverse itself, Wally West makes the ultimate sacrifice, taking his place in the Moebius Chair. Unbeknownst to him, the chair is packing a little extra power, having been imbued with the godlike powers of Dr Manhattan! Now armed with infinite knowledge—and the powers of a god—Wally West can see the past, present, and future of the DC Universe all at once... including what needs to be changed."

Generation Zero: Gods Among Us will also include a behind-the-scenes look at May-debuting event series ***Dark Nights: Death Metal,*** featuring insight and sneak peeks direct from the superstar team of writer *Scott Snyder* and artist *Greg Capullo*!

The excitement continues three and a half weeks later as DC ramps things up with ***Generation One: Age of Mysteries,*** the first of five oversized prestige-format oneshots, each detailing a different age in DC's storied, superheroic legacy!

Generation One: Age of Mysteries (written by *Andy Schmidt* with art by *Doug Mahnke* and others), will feature a cover by *Jim Cheung* and a variant cover by *Gary Frank.* It will pave the way for four additional oneshots that will follow on a monthly schedule:

- ***Generation Two: Age of the Metahuman***
- ***Generation Three: Age of Crisis***
- ***Generation Four: Age of Rebirth***
- ***Generation Five: Age of Tomorrow***

"The ***Generation*** series of specials is built to bring the new DC timeline to life," said DC Publisher *Dan DiDio.* "With ***Generation One: Age of Mysteries*** and every subsequent volume, we'll be shining a spotlight on the 80-plus-year publishing history of the DC universe while charting the course for the bright future of DC's characters. All of our greatest stories and events will create the backdrop and context for the great new adventures we have planned. Everything counts, and we guarantee there'll be surprises along the way!"

DiDio first referenced the far-reaching project last July at Comic-Con International in San Diego when he said, "One of the things we're working on in the DCU is we're building an ultimate timeline. We're building this so we have a better idea where our stories connect. That's where we made our mistake during the New 52—we didn't understand which stories matter, which ones didn't. Once we understand how these characters connect, then we'll be in a place to give you the true history of the DCU."

Readers of ***Generation One: Age of Mysteries*** will witness firsthand major events from throughout the history of the DC universe as seen through the eyes of characters like Wonder Woman, Lucius Fox, Alfred Pennyworth, Green Lantern (Alan Scott), The Spectre (Jim Corrigan), Mister Terrific (Terry Sloane), and others. The series of oneshots will also expose secrets from DC's history, such as:

- What was the previously undocumented "big bang" of the Age of Mysteries?
- Which character truly ushers in the dawn of Super Heroes, inspiring all the rest?
- What was the real reason behind the Justice Society of America's retirement?
- Which Golden Age hero will become history's greatest villain?
- What contentious alliance kept the Wayne family dynasty alive after Thomas and Martha's deaths?
- Who are the new, never-seen-before wildcards who will be instrumental in fashioning DC's push to the future?

The five ***Generation*** issues will feature a who's who of creative talent, with an overarching story by *Brian Michael Bendis, Dan Jurgens, Andy Schmidt, Robert Venditti,* and *Joshua Williamson,* illustrated by artists including *Doug Mahnke, Bryan Hitch, Mikel Janín, Ivan Reis, David Marquez,* and others.

Generation One: Age of Mysteries, a 48-page prestige-format oneshot, is scheduled for May 27th release, with the other four books following in June, July, August, and September. So what's coming up in October? Too soon to tell... but DC promises that it's going to be big!

by Cliff Biggers

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Coming Comics—DC in May

Just days after Clark Kent's own shocking revelation, the facts behind who actually owns the Daily Planet are revealed—and all hell breaks loose in ***Action Comics #1023*** (by *Brian Bendis, John Romita Jr, & Klaus Janson).*

Mera wakes up from her coma more powerful than ever before... but finds her kingdom in absolute peril in ***Aquaman #60*** (by *Kelly Sue DeConnick & Miguel Mendonca).*

It was always going to come to this. The Clown Prince of Crime and the Dark Knight Detective go head to head for the last time (?) in ***Batman #95*** (by *James Tynion IV & Jorge Jimenez).* The Joker has never wanted to win before: He's never wanted his battle with Batman to end, but now his motivation has shifted. He has decided that one way or another, this will be the final chapter to their story. "Joker War" begins here!

Batman: The Adventures Continue #1 (by *Paul Dini, Alan Burnett, & Ty Templeton)* presents all-new stories set in Batman's animated world. In the opening chapter, Wayne Enterprises in Gotham City is attacked by a giant robot that steals an entire room from the laboratory. Who's controlling the robot? How will Batman stop the mechanized menace? And what does it all have to do with Lex Luthor's sudden appearance in Gotham?

The Joker shows up to have a nice chat with Barbara Gordon in ***Batgirl #47,*** a "Joker War" tie-in by *Cecil Castellucci & Robbi Rodriguez.*

Ra's al Ghul has had everything taken away from him. His League of Assassins, his power... even his family. Now he's more dangerous than ever, and it'll take the combined full might of the Outsiders team to take him down in ***Batman and the Outsiders #13*** (by *Bryan Hill & Gleb Melnikov).*

Batman brings a wounded Damian Wayne to base in ***Batman Beyond #44*** (by *Dan Jurgens & Sean Chen),* only to discover that Damian has been dethroned as leader of the League of Assassins and left for dead by a former acolyte of Ra's Al Ghul's called Mr Zero!

In ***Batman Secret Files #3,*** readers will discover the origins and motivations behind the cabal of assassins who have come to Gotham to stop Batman from enacting his plans to save the city—including Deathstroke, Cheshire, Merlyn, and the new threats of Mr Teeth and Gunsmith.

Young Bruce Wayne grew up watching The Mr Smiles Show—and the show might have been watching him back! And not only was young Bruce watching, he was *listening... listening* as Mr Smiles spoke across the airwaves only to him... Don't miss ***Batman: The Smile Killer #1*** (by *Jeff Lemire & Andrea Sorrentino),* the surprise epilogue to ***Joker: Killer Smile.***

The horrific plan of the Ultra-Humanite rains terror down on the lives of the Dark Knight and the Man of Steel in ***Batman/Superman #10*** (by *Joshua Williamson & Clayton Henry).*

In ***Catwoman #23*** (by *Sean Murphy, Blake Northcutt, & Cian Tormey),* Selina leaves for the jungle to blow off some steam in the best way she knows how... stealing the world's largest diamond from an annual supersecret supervillain auction, of course!

In ***Daphne Byrne #5*** (by *Laura Marks & Kelley Jones),* Daphne is betrayed by everyone she ever trusted—and neither heaven nor hell can help any of them once her rage is awakened...

Scott Snyder, Greg Capullo, & Jonathan Glapion—the legendary team behind ***Dark Nights: Metal*** and ***Batman: Last Knight on Earth***—take center stage and reunite for ***Dark Nights: Death Metal,*** the kickoff of the encore to ***Metal.*** When the Earth is enveloped by the Dark Multiverse, the Justice League is at the mercy of the Batman Who Laughs. Humanity struggles to survive in a hellish landscape twisted beyond recognition, while Batman, Wonder Woman, and Superman have all been separated and fight to survive.

DC Classics: The Batman Adventures #1 kicks off a monthly series reprinting the classic animation-inspired series by *Kelley Puckett, Ty Templeton, & Rick Burchett*—and it's bargain-priced at $1.99 per issue!

It's science-fair time at Metropolis High, and the DC Super Hero Girls are all very excited—except for Zee Zatara. Magic is her life, and science seems so dull in comparison. When she tries to help her friends with their projects, things keep going wrong in ***DC Super Hero Girls: Weird Science TP*** (by *Amanda Diebert, Yancey Labat, Erich Owen,* and others).

Hot on the heels of "Joker War," the Clown Prince of Crime is revealed as the mastermind behind Two-Face's turmoil—but to what end? Batman will need all the allies he can get in ***Detective Comics #1023*** (by *Peter Tomasi, Brad Walker, & Andrew*

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Hennessey)... and what better ally than Harvey Dent?

One of Dream's heaviest responsibilities is the creation of nightmares—the beings that haunt our sleep and turn our thoughts toward darkness. In the form of Ruin, the nightmare of catastrophic failure, Dream was certain he'd built his next masterpiece... but Ruin can't help but live up to his name, sending every situation into a spiral of unexpected consequences. Unfortunately, Shakespearean scholar (and exhausted new mother) Lindy has dreamed of Ruin... and in the process, she delivered him unto the waking world in ***The Dreaming: Waking Hours #1*** (by *G. Willow Wilson & Nick Robles*).

Something about Leviathan's rise to power doesn't make sense! How did the organization get so big—and so powerful—so fast? How did Leviathan gather so many acolytes to its cause so quickly? To find the answers, Checkmate must infiltrate Leviathan, but once these unlikely allies—the Question, Green Arrow, Lois Lane, Manhunter, and Talia al Ghul—go undercover in ***Event Leviathan: Checkmate #2*** (by *Brian Bendis & Alex Maleev*), they are officially... *not* on our side.

The Flash is free of Paradox, but that freedom came at a great cost. For years, the Reverse-Flash has wanted Barry Allen to suffer, but he's always been defeated by the Flash Family! In ***The Flash #756*** (by *Joshua Williamson & Christian Duce*), the Reverse-Flash is going to build his own family to help him get the revenge he demands!

Generation One: Age of Mysteries is the first in a series of special prestige-format oneshots that detail the history of the DC Universe, starting with the debut of Wonder Woman, DC's first superhero, and leading all the way to a bold new era unlike anything you've seen before... It starts on Free Comic Book Day with ***Generation Zero*** and continues in May with ***Generation One***—with each subsequent month seeing a new oneshot spotlighting the next generation of DC's superheroic legacy. The secret history of the DC Universe unfolds before us as seen through the eyes of Wonder Woman, Lucius Fox, King Faraday, and more! What is the previously undocumented "big bang" of the heroic age? What was the real reason behind the Justice Society's retirement? Which hero of the Golden Age makes a shocking transformation into its greatest villain? The answers set up the boldest DC storylines ever told in this, the first of five oneshot issues that chronicle the history of the DC Universe and lay the groundwork for excitement yet to come!

In brightest day, in blackest night, no evil could ever escape their sight! The Green Lanterns are celebrating 80 years of keeping the DC Universe safe with the ***Green Lantern 80th Anniversary 100-Page Super Spectacular***, presenting tales of all of the universe's most legendary Green Lanterns: Alan Scott, Hal Jordan, John Stewart, Guy Gardner, Kyle Rayner, Jessica Cruz, and Simon Baz, plus appearances from other cosmic favorites! A legendary lineup of creators includes *Geoff Johns, Peter J. Tomasi, Jeff Lemire, Ivan Reis*, and others—and of course, there will be a variety of decades covers by all-star artists!

The Flash guest stars in ***The Green Lantern Season Two #4*** (by *Grant Morrison & Liam Sharp)* as the Emerald Warrior and the Fastest Man Alive put their friendship on the line to fight for their lives on a world changed beyond all recognition! Is the world ready for an attack by ptechnodactyls and the ancient superbeings known as "the Golden Giants of Neo-Pangaea"?

Los Angeles turns on everyone eventually, and it turns on Harley Quinn in ***Harley Quinn #73*** (by *Sam Humphries & Sami Basri).* As she discovers more about the death of her friend, she decides it's time to leave town—but the wrestling league she almost considered a family won't let her go!

Hawkman and Hawkwoman are reunited in ***Hawkman #24*** (by *Robert Venditti, Fernando Pasarin, & Oclair Albert).* But there's no time for sweet nothings just yet, because they've been sucked into the realm of the Lord Beyond the Void, where Carter Hall is treated to another reunion... with the legacy of all the lives he took in his first life as Ktar Deathbringer!

How are all those poor British fishermen supposed to keep the French out of their waters? By summoning an ancient merwoman, of course—and that's just what they do in ***John Constantine, Hellblazer #7*** (by *Simon Spurrier & Aaron Campbell).*

On Themyscira, peace hangs in the balance when the Justice League is caught trespassing on the island of the Amazons in ***Justice League #46*** (by *Robert Venditti & Xermanico).* As the Spectre's wave of vengeance sweeps across the world, the island is now twisted with rage.

The villain at the dark heart of the war between the parliaments stands revealed as Anton Arcane! Doctor Fate, Wonder Woman, and Animal Man must form an uneasy alliance with Abigail Arcane and the Floronic Man to protect humanity's fate in ***Justice League Dark #23*** (by *Ram V, James Tynion IV, & Kyle Hotz),* with repercussions for the very future of the Justice League Dark!

After failing to neutralize Epoch by stealth attack, Darkseid launches an all-out strike in ***Justice League Odyssey #21*** (by *Dan Abnett & Cliff Richards).*

The United Planets is less than thrilled with the decision to bring Superboy a thousand years into the future to protect the past. Planet Gotham is under siege. Ultra Boy's homeworld is on the verge of all-out war. And as if that weren't enough, new Legionnaire drama unfolds as Saturn Girl and Cosmic Boy throw down over who should take on the Legion's leadership in ***Legion of Super-Heroes #7*** (by *Brian Bendis & Ryan Sook).* Plus, Brainiac 5 will reveal a secret that will make one Legionnaire quit the team.

The braid begins to unravel as Lois, Renee Montoya, Midnight, and Sister Clarice all come together in ***Lois Lane #11*** (by *Greg Rucka & Mike Perkins).* Now the intrepid reporter must face the reporter's dilemma—what truths to tell, and at what cost?

At last, the devil goes to hell in ***Lucifer #20*** (by *Dan Watters & Max Fiumara).*

For years Kirk Langstrom has struggled with his monstrous alter ego Man-Bat and the serum that transformed him. But he's finally hit rock bottom following a devastating setback, and he's going to take out his anger on every single citizen of Gotham City in ***Man-Bat #1*** (by *Dave Wielgosz & Sumit Kumar).*

After the revelation of Leviathan's true identity in the pages of ***Event Leviathan,*** Kate Spencer—an earlier Manhunter—must go on a quest to uncover just how deep Leviathan's plans go in ***Manhunters: The Secret History #1*** (by *Marc Andreyko & Renato Guedes).* What Kate didn't expect is a conspiracy that goes back to the very beginnings of DC history!

Chemo wreaks havoc in Times Square in ***Metal Men #8*** (by *Dan DiDio, Shane Davis, & Michelle Delecki),* and when Magnus's animals fail to save the city, the Metal Men must decide whether they want to return to Magnus's side or not!

In ***Nightwing #72*** (by *Dan Jurgens & Ronan Cliquet),* Dick Grayson learns that "fixing" his identity lies with none other than Barbara Gordon. He must go to Gotham to find Batgirl—and runs into Joker's new henchperson, Punchline. Unlike Harley Quinn, Punchline's deadpan black humor matches the deadly knives she uses on her victims... and for her next joke, Ric Grayson is the punchline.

Moriah, Bill, Russell, and the rest of the MacReady's crew get an unexpectedly intimate tour inside the minds of their eyeless

new friends in ***Plunge #4*** (by *Joe Hill & Stuart Immonen).* Meanwhile, Lacome does the math and comes to an alarming conclusion.

The Outlaws square off against one of the oldest and most dangerous threats in all the DC Universe in ***Red Hood and the Outlaws #46*** (by *Scott Lobdell & Paolo Pantalena).*

The greatest kid superhero ever faces the worst teen supervillain as Billy Batson and the Shazam! family confront Superboy Prime in ***Shazam! #13*** (by *Geoff Johns & Dale Eaglesham).* Superboy Prime has the powers of Superman and none of his heroic morality—can even Shazam! stop the most powerful threat he and his family have ever encountered?

After the cosmic adventurer was accused of murder and had his whole record as a soldier questioned, Adam Strange turned to Batman for help clearing his name. But someone else was needed to ensure that the investigation would be truly impartial. Enter Mr Terrific, the man for whom "Fair Play" is a credo to live by. Be careful what you wish for, Adam Strange, because your life is about to be turned upside down in ***Strange Adventures #3*** (by *Tom King, Mitch Gerads, & Evan "Doc" Shaner).*

In ***Suicide Squad #6*** (by *Tom Taylor & Bruno Redondo),* Task Force X learns that there is no hiding from the World's Greatest Detective, and it'll take every deadly trick in their playbook for the Squad to escape the wrath of Batman!

Deemed a threat by the US military, Supergirl is a wanted villain in ***Supergirl #42*** (by *Jody Houser & Rachael Stott).* General Corvid won't give up until Kara's gone for good. Meanwhile, the superstorm rages stronger than ever, while hundreds remain helpless against it. Can Supergirl prove that she's the hero the people once believed her to be? Find out in the pulse-pounding series conclusion!

With Superman's secret identity suddenly revealed to the world, many in his life are worried that he has been tricked or duped into destroying his own privacy! All the more worrisome: Superman has been very susceptible to mysticism. Could all this

madness be magic related? It's time to call the doctor—Dr Fate—in ***Superman #23*** (by *Brian Bendis & Kevin Maguire).*

If there's no more Robin and no more Mercy Hall, does that mean no more Teen Titans? With the team in tatters after its encounter with Batman, the remaining Teen Titans attempt to pick up the pieces in ***Teen Titans #42*** (by *Robbie Thompson, Eduardo Pansica, & Julio Ferreira).*

Simon Stagg is dead, and the line of succession in the house of Stagg leads to the Terrifics' ally Sapphire in ***The Terrifics #28*** (by *Gene Luen Yang & Sergio Davila)*... or does it? Who is Sebastian Stagg, and what on Earth is he doing with the Parasite at his side?

Wonder Woman puts herself on the line to save Warmaster from the Phantom Stranger in ***Wonder Woman #758*** (by *Steve Orlando & Emanuela Lupacchino).* But Diana is out of her depth, and the Stranger's power knows no limit!

Bartholomew Henry Allen II has traveled to the edges of space and time—and along the way, he's discovered truths that he's kept from even his closest friends. Until now. The truth behind the legacy of Young Justice is revealed in ***Young Justice #16*** (by *Brian Bendis, David F. Walker, & Scott Godlewski).*

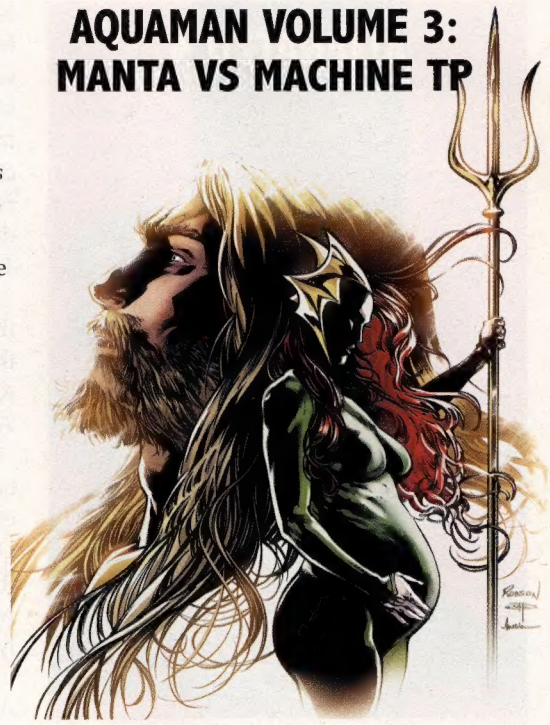
DC Facsimile Editions for May include ***Green Lantern #76,*** the first "relevant" Green Lantern/Green Arrow tale by *Dennis O'Neil & Neal Adams;* ***Man-Bat #1,*** the 1974 issue by *Gerry Conway, Steve Ditko, & Al Milgrom;* and ***Wonder Woman (1987) #1,*** the first *George Pérez* issue.

DC's dollar comics offerings include:

- ***Dollar Comics Dark Nights Metal #1.***
- ***Dollar Comics Green Lantern (2008) #29,*** the first chapter of "Secret Origin."
- ***Dollar Comics Manhunter #1.***
- ***Dollar Comics Stars & STRIPE #1.***
- ***Dollar Comics Wonder Woman #212,*** guest- starring the Justice League.
- ***Dollar Comics Wonder Woman #206,*** featuring the return of Medusa.

DC collected editions (advance solicited for June and July release) include:

- ***Absolute Swamp Thing by Alan Moore Volume 2 HC,*** collecting ***Swamp Thing #s 35–50,*** including the first appearance of John Constantine.
- ***Aquaman Volume 2: Amnesty TP,*** collecting ***Aquaman #s 48–52.***



- ***Aquaman Volume 3: Manta vs Machine TP,*** collecting ***Aquaman #s 53–57 & Annual #2.***
- ***Batgirl Volume 7: Oracle Rising TP,*** collecting ***Batgirl #s 37–44.***
- ***Batman Adventures: Batgirl—A League of Her Own TP,*** collecting ***Batman: Gotham Adventures #s 8, 9, 22, & 38.***
- ***Batman by Grant Morrison Omnibus Volume 3 HC,*** collecting ***Batman: The Return #1, Batman Incorporated (Series 1) #s 1–8, Batman Incorporated: Leviathan Strikes! #1, Batman Incorporated (Series 2) #s 0–13,*** and ***Batman Incorporated Special #1.***
- ***Batman: Detective Comics Volume 2—Arkham Knight TP,*** collecting ***Detective Comics #s 1001–1005, Annual #2,*** and a story from ***Detective Comics #1000.***
- ***Batman/Wonder Woman: The Hiketeia Deluxe Edition HC,*** which includes the *Greg Rucka–JG Jones* graphic novel and a gallery of *JG Jones* covers.
- ***Catwoman Volume 3: Friend or Foe? TP,*** collecting ***Catwoman #s 16–21.***
- ***Dial H for Hero Volume 2: New Heroes of Metropolis TP,*** collecting ***Dial H for Hero #s 7–12.***
- ***Dark Knight Returns: The Golden Child Deluxe Edition HC,*** which includes the *Frank Miller–Rafael Grampa* oneshot plus behind-the-scenes materials.
- ***DC Comics: The Astonishing Art of Amanda Conner HC,*** collecting ***Before Watchmen: Silk Spectre #s 1–4, Harley Quinn 25th Anniversary Special #1, The Kamandi Challenge #3, Harley Quinn: Be Careful What You Wish For #1, Batman #68,*** the Supergirl stories from ***Wednesday Comics #s 1–12,*** and more.
- ***DC Graphic Novels for Kids Box Set 1,*** featuring ***Dear Justice League, Superman of Smallville, Black Canary: Ignite,*** and ***The Secret Spiral of Swamp Kid.***
- ***DC Graphic Novels for Young Adults Box Set 1,*** featuring ***Mera: Tidebreaker, Under the Moon: A Catwoman Tale,*** and ***Harley Quinn: Breaking Glass.***
- ***DC Poster Portfolio: Francesco Mattina TP,*** featuring 20 of Mattina's most striking covers from across the DC Universe.
- ***DC Poster Portfolio: DCeased TP,*** featuring 20 of the terrifyingly visceral covers from the hit miniseries.
- ***The Flash Volume 11: the Greatest Trick of All TP,*** collecting ***The Flash #s 66–69 & Annual #2.***
- ***The Flash Volume 12: Death and the Speed Force TP,*** collecting ***The Flash #76–81.***
- ***Flash Forward TP,*** collecting the six-issue series.
- ***Green Lantern: 80 Years of the Emerald Knight HC,*** collecting some of the greatest Green Lantern tales ever, featuring stories and art by comics' top talents.
- ***Harley Quinn: The New 52 Box Set,*** which includes ***Harley Quinn Vol 1: Hot in the City, Suicide Squad Vol 1: Kicked in the Teeth,*** and ***The Joker: Death of the Family.***
- ***Hawkman Volume 3: Darkness Within TP,*** collecting ***Hawkman #s 13–19.***
- ***Justice League Volume 5: Justice/Doom War TP,*** collecting ***Justice League #s 29–39.***
- ***Justice League International Omnibus Volume 2 HC,*** collecting ***Justice League America #s 31–50, Justice League Europe #s 7–25, Justice League America Annual #4, Justice League Europe Annual #1, Justice League Quarterly #1,*** and ***Justice League International Special #1.***

- ***Justice League of America by Brad Meltzer: The Deluxe Edition HC,*** collecting ***Justice League of America (2006) #s 0–12*** and ***Justice Society of America (2006) #s 5–6.***
- ***Legends of the Dark Knight: Matt Wagner HC,*** collecting ***Batman and the Monster Men #s 1–6, Batman and the Mad Monk #s 1–6, Batman: Riddler—The Riddle Factory #1, Batman #54, Batman: Legends of the Dark Knight #s 28–30,*** and a story from ***Batman Black and White #3.***
- ***Legion of Super-Heroes: Five Years Later Omnibus Volume 1 HC,*** collecting ***Legion of Super-Heroes #s 1–39, Timber Wolf #s 1–5, Legion of Super-Heroes Annual #s 1–3,*** and ***Adventures of Superman #478.***
- ***Nightwing Year One Deluxe Edition HC,*** collecting ***Nightwing #s 101–106.***
- ***Plastic Man: Rubber Banded Deluxe Edition HC,*** collecting ***Plastic Man #s 1–20.***
- ***Red Hood: Outlaw Volume 3—Generation Outlaw TP,*** collecting ***Red Hood: Outlaw #s 37–41.***
- ***The Sandman Deluxe Edition Book One HC,*** collecting ***The Sandman #s 1–16*** and ***Sandman Midnight Theatre #1.***

• ***Super Friends: Saturday Morning Comics Volume 1 H,*** collecting ***Super Friends #s 1–26, Limited Collectors' Edition #s C41 & C46,*** and the ultra-rare ***Aquateers Meet the Super Friends #1.***

• ***Supergirl: Being Super TP,*** repackaged in the DC graphic novels for young adults format.

• ***Year of the Villain: Hell Arisen TP,*** collecting ***Year of the Villain: Hell Arisen #s 1–4, DC's Year of the Villain #1,*** and more!

• ***Year of the Villain: The Infected TP,*** collecting ***Supergirl #36, Hawkman #18, The Infected: King Shazam #1, The Infected: Scarab #1, The Infected: Deathbringer #1,*** and ***The Infected: The Commissioner #1.***

Coming in October from DC Collectibles

• ***Batman: The Adventures Continue—The Batman Who Laughs, Catwoman, Vampire Batman, & Batman Version 2 Action Figures,*** 1:12-scale action figures offered individually.

• ***DC Essentials: DCeased Harley Quinn, DCeased Superman, DCeased The Flash, & DCeased Supergirl Action Figures,*** each based on the *Tom Taylor* horror series.

• ***DC Cover Girls: Poison Ivy by Frank Cho Statue,*** featuring her iconic costume and winding ivy around her legs and arms.

• ***Batman Black and White Bat-Monster by Greg Capullo Statue,*** based on the iconic New 52 ***Batman #6*** cover.

• ***DC Designer Series Harley Quinn by Bruce Timm Mini-Statue,*** a full-color 7" version of the popular statue.

• ***DC Designer Series: Catwoman by Stanley "Artgerm" Lau Statue,*** based on one of *Stanley "Artgerm" Lau's* popular ***Catwoman*** variant covers.

Coming Comics—Boom! in May

Afraid of what she could have done with Chip's powers, Samantha passes the dangerous alien along to Samir in ***Alienated #4*** (by *Simon Spurrier & Chris Wildgoose*)—but Samir has his own plans, and he doesn't share Samantha's reservations.

Team Spike has survived Hellmouth with some surprising allies, but it's time to deal with the consequences in ***Angel + Spike #12*** (by *Bryan Edward Hill & Gleb Melnikov*)—and all roads lead to Wolfram & Hart.

Ben, Gwen, and Grandpa Max head to a beautiful seaside resort for some much-needed relaxation—but they'll need to use all their abilities to defeat the terrifying monster ruining everyone's good time in ***Ben 10: Creature from Serenity Shore TP,*** an original graphic novel by *CB Lee & Mattia De Meo.*

Buffy and Robin can finally go on a date in ***Buffy the Vampire Slayer #15*** (by *Jordie Bellaire & Julian Lopez*)—but with everything that was revealed during Hellmouth, do they have a future together?

Faith is drawn to black magic in Turin, Italy, as she exhibits in a prestigious art gallery in ***Faithless II #2*** (by *Brian Azzarello & Maria Llovet*).

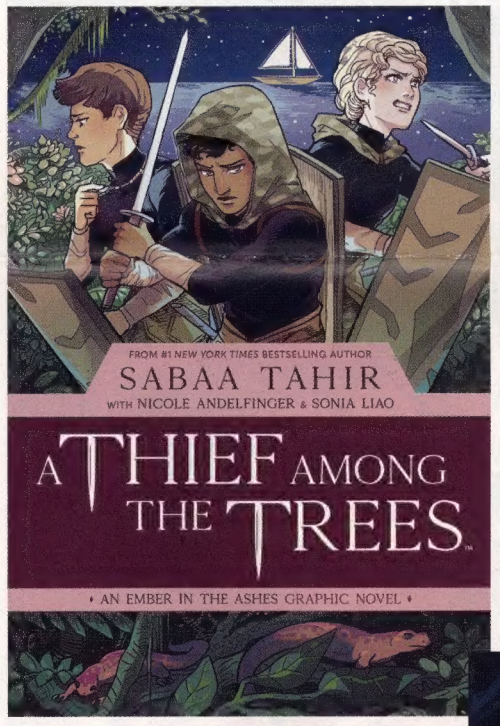
In ***Firefly #17*** (by *Greg Pak & Lalit Kumar Sharma*), Mal is torn between his loyalty to his crew and his responsibilities as sheriff. If he wants to run, he has to do it now—but Blue Sun has arrived in his sector, handing out new tech that is more curse than blessing. And that's without going into the serial killer who has been leaving bodies all over town.

Thanks to a serendipitous combination of events, Goldie, Diane, and Cheryl find themselves jetsetting to sunny Los Angeles in ***Goldie Vance: Larceny in La La Land TP,*** an original graphic novel by *Jackie Ball & Mollie Rose.* While Cheryl pursues her space dreams at JPL and Diane continues her work as a remote scout for a music label, Goldie spends her days getting lost in the haze of old Hollywood and becoming friends with a silent film star whose golden days are long behind her. But when her new friend is framed for stealing, Goldie must dive deep into the secret history of Tinsel Town to get to the bottom of it all!

Denis may have been mostly accepted by the strange citizens of Nowhere, but he's not the only stranger wreaking havoc in town in ***King of Nowhere #3*** (by *W. Maxwell Prince & Tyler Jenkins*).

With Merlin—and the magic he wields—back at his side, King Arthur is stronger than ever in ***Once & Future #9*** (by *Kieron Gillen & Dan Mora*). Brigette and Duncan continue to fight against Camelot's dark forces, but when Merlin calls to life another story entirely, will the two heroes save the day?

Award-winning ***Giant Days*** creators *John Allison, Lissa Treiman, & Max Sarin* present the unforgettable guide to getting through the day when every moment is bursting with feelings, collecting some of the most beloved moments and collective wisdom from the Eisner Award–winning series in ***The Quotable Giant Days TP*** (by *John Allison & Max Sarin*).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New York Times bestselling author *Sabaa Tahir* joins writer *Nicole Andelfinger* and artist *Sonia Liao* for ***A Thief Among the Trees: An Ember in the Ashes HC,*** an all-new original graphic novel introducing the dangerous world of ***An Ember in the Ashes*** to new readers. Before they were on different sides of a revolution, Elias and Helene were comrades at Blackcliff Military Academy. When they're sent on a dangerous mission to steal a heavily guarded poison on Isle South, they soon find themselves up against surprising enemies—including other recruits. As the true horror of their assignment is revealed, they will begin to confront the harrowing realities of martial rule, their place in the system... and the choices they must make to survive.

Left in legal limbo with a murder accusation hanging over her and with only her wits for protection, Lottie Grote is determined to show the coppers overseeing her that she can detect rings around them all... And maybe she'll even be able to prove herself innocent in the process, in ***Wicked Things #3*** (by *John Allison & Max Sarin*).

Boom! collected editions include:

• ***bb Free Volume 1 TP,*** collecting ***bb Free #s 1–4.***

• ***Bill & Ted Archive TP,*** collecting ***Bill & Ted #s 1–11*** and ***Bill & Ted's Bogus Journey.***

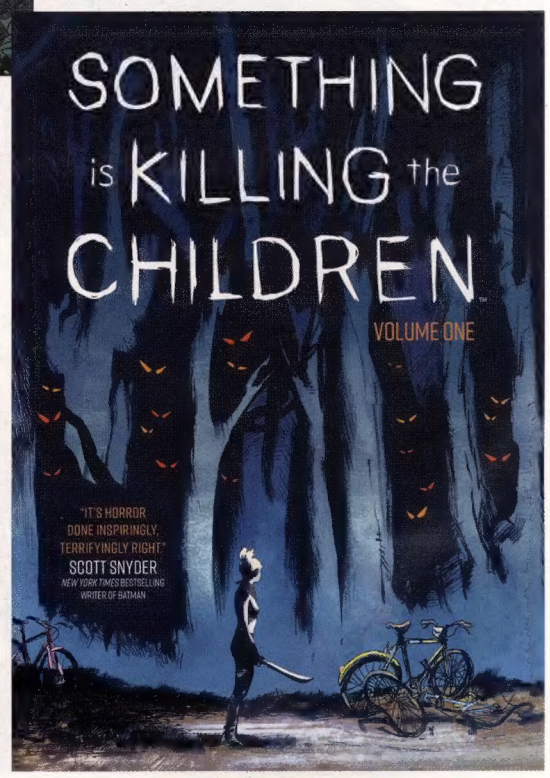
• ***Buffy the Vampire Slayer: Hellmouth TP,*** collecting the five-isssue series. (This book is also offered as a limited edition hardcover.)

• ***Firefly Legacy Deluxe Edition HC,*** collecting ***Serenity: Those Left Behind #s 1–3, Serenity: Better Days #s 1–3, Serenity: The Shepherd's Tale, Serenity: Float Out #1, Serenity: Leaves on the Wind #s 1–6, Serenity: No Power in the 'Verse #s 1–6,*** and more rare stories.

• ***Folklords TP,*** collecting ***Folklords #s 1–5.***

• ***Mighty Morphin Power Rangers Volume 12 TP,*** collecting ***Mighty Morphin Power Rangers #s 44–47.***

• ***Something Is Killing the Children Volume 1 TP,*** collecting ***Something Is Killing the Children #s 1–5.***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Coming Comics—Archie in May

Betty and Veronica risk life and limb in ***B&V Friends Forever: Danger Zone #1*** (by *Bill Golliher, Dan Parent, Jim Amash,* and others), from skydiving to trail running, to competing as warriors and exploring a shipwreck at sea!

Sabrina has long felt the pull of her two worlds, witch and mortal, but she's always had her devoted aunts Hilda and Zelda on her side to help guide her through that gauntlet. But when a spell suggests she can no longer trust even them, where will Sabrina turn as a series of supernatural murders falls upon the town of Greendale? Find out in ***Sabrina: Something Wicked #2*** (by *Kelly Thompson, Veronica Fish, Andy Fish, & Jack Morelli).*

Seeing how it's been a while since Super Duck has been... well... super, his existence has mainly consisted of cheap store appearances, kiddie party performances, and worst of all... ugh... comic book conventions. But can the appearance of a certain rich Scottish duck change all that? Find out in ***Super Duck #2*** (continuing the mature-readers series by *Frank Tieri, Ian Flynn, & Ryan Jampole).*

Archie collected editions include:

- ***Archie Giant Comics Jump,*** featuring 480 pages of iconic Archie comics tales.
- ***Archie: The Married Life 10th Anniversary TP,*** collecting the six-issue miniseries by *Michael Uslan, Dan Parent, J. Bone,* and others.
- ***Archie Showcase Digest: Archie #1,*** the kickoff volume of a series spotlighting Archie's hottest characters on their 80th anniversary, beginning with Archie himself!

Coming Comics—Dark Horse in May

As the crew continues to survey the massive pyramid structure, they find an entrance. But who goes in, won't come out alone in ***Alien: The Original Screenplay #2*** (by *Cristiano Seixas & Guilherme Balbi,* based on the screenplay by *Dan O'Bannon).*

A baboon fights its way back to its rightful spot in the animal kingdom in ***Baboon! TP,*** a wordless graphic novel by revered Spanish writer and artist *Pau,* author of ***Atlas*** and ***Axis.***

Paige Turnier: defenseless old lady or mastermind detective? As Paige navigates these dual roles, superspy Thomas Cord realizes he has memories of this woman from before he was born... and these memories may be the key to protecting reality from those who would see it unraveled in ***Bang! #4*** (by *Matt Kindt & Wilfredo Torres).*

Through the decades, Colonel Randall Weird has faced his past and future from all angles, and often out of order, as he struggles to maintain his sanity and protect himself—and those around him—from a fractured universe in ***Colonel Weird: Cosmagog #2*** (by *Jeff Lemire & Tyler Crook).*

Skywise the stargazer is gone, lost within the vastness of trackless space. His daughter, the fabulous Jink, sets out on her own quest to find him and return him to the elves' Star Home in ***ElfQuest: Stargazer's Hunt #4*** (by *Wendy & Richard Pini).* She has no idea where or why he fled, but she knows where to begin her search for answers: the World of Two Moons, her father's birthplace.

Just as Frankenstein begins to feel a sense of camaraderie with his companions, a dark force reveals itself and threatens to consume them in ***Frankenstein Undone #5*** (by *Mike Mignola, Scott Allie, & Ben Stenbeck).*

Years after Hellboy's ill-fated tangle with the Beast of Vargu, the Romani women who helped him need that debt repaid in ***Hellboy and the BPRD: Her Fatal Hour*** (by *Mike Mingola & Tiernan Tevallion).* Claimed by a demon in a romance gone wrong, the younger woman reaches out to Hellboy through the power of a familiar old puppet, and a supernatural confrontation full of magic and mayhem ensues.

The Making of The Umbrella Academy HC is a 184-page volume exploring the live-action adaptation of the hit Dark Horse Comics series by *Gerard Way & Gabriel Bá.*

Two female researchers visit a prison in the midst of the transfer of a notorious murderer for their studies on violence in men. When a mass riot breaks out at the prison, a strange phenomenon occurs, revealing the women are not just researchers but instead are Matriarchs—an immortal race of women with supernatural abilities who feed on the vital force of the living. After a number of prisoners witness the duo's abilities, they find themselves at a moral crossroads between sparing the innocent or protecting their race's exposure by finishing them off in ***The Matriarchs HC*** (by *LouAnne Brickhouse & Jennifer Rea).*

Having previously written about deities in ***American Gods*** and ***The Sandman,*** *Neil Gaiman* teams with *P. Craig Russell* to finally introduce readers to the northern gods in their own setting in ***Norse Mythology #1,*** the kickoff issue of a new series adapting the best-selling novel.

Have you ever encountered a troll and not known what to do? Don't panic—*Anders Skoglind's* ***Troll Guide TP*** has you covered! This essential handbook is filled with tips and tricks on what to do when encountering trolls, as well as a comprehensive list of the different kinds of trolls and mountain creatures.

Max Wilding, superscientist, travels through another dimension before the Ultimate Nihilist can put an end to both Max and reality itself in *Michael Allred's* ***X-Ray Robot #3,*** while his coworkers are thrown into strange timelines that threaten their safety and sanity—and Max discovers the true identity of the ultimate villain.

Dark Horse collected editions include:

- ***Alien vs Predator: Thicker Than Blood TP,*** collecting the four-issue series.

- ***Atomic Legion TP,*** a softcover edition of the graphic novel by *Mike Richardson & Bruce Zick.*
- ***Bankshot TP,*** collecting the five-issue miniseries.
- ***Blacksad: The Collected Stories Volume 1 TP,*** collecting five of Blacksad's biggest cases, including material never before published in English.
- ***The Butcher of Paris TP,*** collecting the five-issue series.
- ***The Courageous Princess Volume 3: The Dragon Queen TP,*** the third volume of *Rod Espinosa's* ***Courageous Princess*** trilogy.
- ***Criminal Macabre: The Big Bleed Out TP,*** collecting the four-issue series.
- ***Disney/PIXAR's The Incredibles 2: Slow Burn TP,*** collecting the three-issue series.
- ***Disney Princess: Gleam, Glow, and Laugh TP,*** a collection of light-hearted stories.
- ***Dragon Age: Blue Wraith TP,*** collecting the three-issue series.
- ***Harrow County Omnibus Volume 1 TP,*** collecting ***Harrow County #s 1–16.***
- ***Hellsing Deluxe Edition Volume 1 HC,*** collecting ***Volumes 1–4*** in a deluxe hardcover edition with embossed casing, sewn binding, and ribbon marker.
- ***Noir: A Collection of Crime Comics HC,*** a full-sized edition of the collection of tales by *Brian Azzarello, Jeff Lemire, Ed Brubaker, Sean Phillips,* and many more.
- ***Predator: The Essential Comics Volume 2 TP,*** collecting ***Hell and Hot Water, Nemesis, Bad Blood,*** and several short stories.
- ***Tales from Harrow County Volume One: Death's Choir TP,*** collecting the four-issue series.
- ***What's Michael? FatCat Collection Volume 2 TP,*** collecting ***What's Michael? Volumes 7–11.***
- ***Witchfinder Volume 6: Reign of Darkness TP,*** collecting the five-issue series.

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